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Mr. Sam Miller Dakotas Wind Study Project Manager Western Area Power Administration Box 35800 Billings, MT 59107-5800

RE: Rolling Thunder Wind Project

Dear Mr. Miller:

I am the Coordinator of the Wessington Springs Area Development Corporation. We have been working with Clipper Wind Power since the fall of 2000 on a large wind project proposed for Jerauld, Hand, and Hyde counties.

One of the largest setbacks for this project is the ability to transmit this power to a consumer who needs it. How can WAPA be a part of this positive growth for our region and state?

We have an awesome resource that is not being utilized and I feel that the economic impact of this project is the answer to the future vitality of our county.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Lynda Luymes, Coordinator Area Development Corporation